What is claimed is:

1.   1.   A method of presenting a control on a computer user interface comprising:

2   retrieving stored information on request by a user;

3   selecting a control according to the nature of the information; and

4   creating the control on the interface including the information.

1   2.   A method according to claim 1, wherein the control is selected from two or more control types according to the nature of the information.

      3.   A method according to claim 2, wherein each control is suited for use with information of a particular nature.

      4.   A method according to claim 3, wherein the information comprises a plurality of records and the nature of the information relates to the number of records.

1   5.   A method according to claim 4, wherein the control is selected according to the number

2   of records comprising the information.

1   6.   A method according to claim 5, wherein the selected control is suited for displaying the

2   number of records comprising the information.

1   7.   A method according to claim 4, wherein the control is selected according to a threshold

2   which relates to a quantity of records.

1   8.   A method according to claim 7, wherein the selected control is suited to displaying the

2   number of records comprising the information.

       9.   A method according to claim 8, wherein the control is a combination box or a list box.

1   10.   A computer program product comprising a computer useable medium having computer

2   readable program code embodied therein for presenting a control on a computer user

3   interface, the computer program product comprising:

4   program code configured to retrieve information requested by a user;

5   program code configured to select a control according to the nature of the

6   information; and

7   program code configured to create the control on the interface including the

8   information.

11.   A computer program product according to claim 10, wherein the selection program code

            selects the control from two or more control types according to the nature of the

            information.

12.   A computer program product according to claim 11, wherein each control is suited for use

            with information of a particular nature.

1   13.   A computer program product according to claim 12, wherein the information comprises a

2   plurality of records and the nature of the information relates to the number of records.

1   14.   A computer program product according to claim 13, wherein the selection program code

2   selects the control according to the number of records comprising the information.

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1   15.   A computer program product according to claim 14, wherein the selected control is suited

2   to displaying the number of records comprising the information.

1   16.   A computer program product according to claim 15, wherein the control is a combination

2   box or a list box.

1   17.   A computer program product according to claim 13, wherein the selection program code

2   selects the control according to a threshold which relates to a quantity of records.

     18.   A computer program product according to claim 17, wherein the selected control is suited

            to displaying the number of records comprising the information.

     19.   A computer program product according to claim 18, wherein the control is a combination

            box or a list box.

1   20.   A system for presenting a control on a computer user interface, the system comprising:

2   means for retrieving information requested by a user;

3   means for selecting a control according to the nature of the information; and

4   means for creating the control on the interface including the information.

1   21.   A system according to claim 20, wherein the means for selecting is adapted to select the

2   control from two or more control types according to the nature of the information.

22.   A system according to claim 21, wherein each control is suited for use with information

of a particular nature.

23.   A system according to claim 22, wherein the information comprises a plurality of records

and the nature of the information relates to the number of records.

24.   A system according to claim 23, wherein the means for selecting is adapted to select the

2   control according to the number of records comprising the information.

1   25.   A system according to claim 24, wherein the selected control is suited to displaying the

2   number of records comprising the information.

26.   A system according to claim 25, wherein the control is a combination box or a list box.

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1   27.   A system according to claim 23, wherein the means for selecting is adapted to select the

2   control according to a threshold which relates to a quantity of records.

1   28.   A system according to claim 27, wherein the selected control is suited to displaying the

2   number of records comprising the information.

      29.   A system according to claim 28, wherein the control is a combination box or a list box.